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President's Message



Hello. My name is Tom Betsock and I have the honor to be the new president of the MSNA. I've been a member of the Montgomery County Coin Club for over a decade, serving recently as its president. I have been member of MSNA for a decade. I hope to meet many of you at the Whitman show next month and to hear your ideas or concerns regarding the club.

I salute outgoing president, Edward Craig, volunteering to head the club and promote its interests over the past two years.

The year 2020 looks to be an interesting one for numismatics. Maryland will have its Innovation Dollar this fall. Will it portray the Hubble Space telescope or for the Human Genome? It looks like the Hubble is the more likely winner, but the final decision is yet to be made. The CCAC has posted the sixteen possible designs. Assuming it is the Hubble option, perhaps we can expect some sort of launch – naturally – at the Goddard facilities. Also, the Silver Eagle will have a redesign after 35 years. People liked the old design, at least I did, but can it be improved upon?

Early 2020 has, so far, been a bit more interesting than anyone really wants, in terms of bullion prices. Metals have had a small but noticeable rise over the past few days, presumably due to coronavirus fears. Hopefully this will all end in some unexciting way.

Unfortunately, Maryland's primaries come so late in the campaign season that one suspects that the stockpiles of pins and such are long given away. Do candidates unload buckets of political trinkets in the early states, with little left for the Old Line State? I do not know, but someone in the know might want to consider giving a timely politically-themed presentation at an upcoming coin show, or writing an article for this publication.

The Montgomery County Coin Club recently helped with a BSA Merit Badge Day in Rockville, and there were more scouts who wanted to enroll than we had members to guide them. We have another Merit Badge day coming up shortly in Silver Spring, and again we are expecting a large turnout. I encourage numismatists to check with their local districts about teaching boys—and now girls too—about coin collecting, and to take the necessary online courses in order to sign off on the badges.

Two observations on teaching this course. First, perhaps the BSA should move from the collecting State Quarters to collecting the newer National Park quarters, and second, schools no longer teach Roman numerals. The NFL has noticed this too, regarding the Superbowl.

I just picked up the Krause 2000-present edition for world coins. Warm up first and bend at the knees when lifting this, it is one heavy beast, outweighing even the 20th Century edition. There are more countries, but fewer colonies, over the past sixty years. But nearly all produce a pile of commemorative coins. And some of the designs are very nice. As the old habit of sorting through one's loose change vanishes along with loose change, and searching through rolls becomes less common as the number bank branches diminish, perhaps the area of noncirculating commemoratives will become a key area of collection. What most attracts buyers of foreign commemoratives, the metallic value, or the history or art attached to them? This is clearly a major segment of the hobby now, but I've not seen much analysis of the market.

As you can see, I have my Maryland necktie, but not the red jacket. I noticed that a lot of dignitaries at Superbowl LIV wore red jackets, so perhaps they used up the supply. In my younger years I was an 18th Century reenactor, on King George's side, so I do have a couple very nice red wool coats. They're only 250 years out of style.

2019 Raffle Results

The annual gold raffle was held as advertised at 2 PM on the Sunday of the fall Whitman Coin Expo in Baltimore. Mr. Pretti won the first prize of a proof 1986-W Statue of Liberty \$5 gold piece, and the seller of that ticket, Fred Cook, won a 1945 gold Mexico 2 pesos. Sean Granghal won second prize, a 1912 Indian Head gold quarter eagle. Third prize was a gold Mexico 1945 2½ pesos which was won by Alec Fernandez. John Wildman won fourth prize, an uncirculated 2012 Star Spangled Banner silver dollar.

Robert W Ross III Obituary

Robert Ross, Life Member 7 of MSNA, LM 14 of the Maryland Tokens and Medals Society, and ANA LM-3366, passed away on November 12, 2019 at the age of 77. He was also active with the Boy Scouts.

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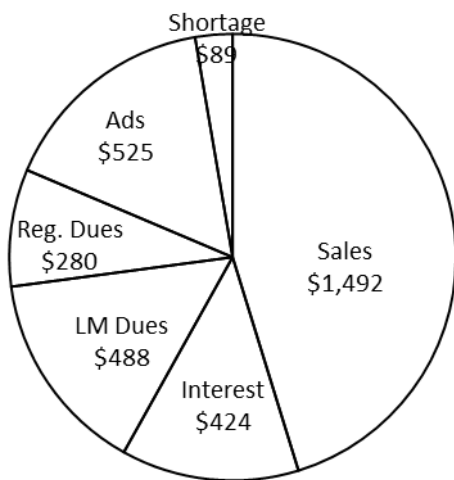
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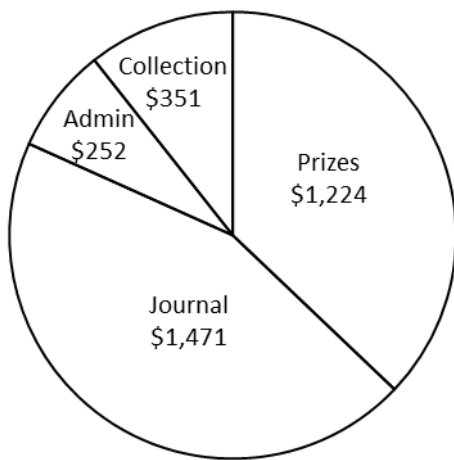
Treasury Notes by Simcha Kuritzky, Treasurer and Editor

Below are two pie charts that show our results for fiscal year 2019 (ended November 30). Each circle represents the same number of dollars; because we had more expense than revenue, the difference is shown as a shortage near the top of the revenue pie chart.

Revenue



Expenses



The largest impact of using accrual versus cash basis of accounting is on life memberships—revenues earned for life membership are from payments received years ago, so regular dues and life membership dues are shown separately. Sales are mostly raffle tickets. Journal expenses include printing, postage, and the web site hosting fee. Prize expense includes raffle, exhibit, and door prizes at meetings. The cost of printing raffle tickets is included with the raffle ticket prizes, while the advertising underwriting the ticket printing is merged with journal advertising revenue. Administrative expenses include post office box rentals and membership dues in other organizations. Expenses associated with the John Henry collection include the safe deposit box rental and insurance.

Revenues were down significantly from last year since we didn't have the bus trip to ANA. We will have to consider one this year to Pittsburgh. Membership dues were also down; I need to send out postcards to remind lapsed members to renew in April.

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Membership Report

The MSNA by-laws require the treasurer to prepare an annual report on the membership. I am also giving the report for all years back to 2013.

MSNA has six types of membership. Regular, club and junior members must pay each year. Life, club life, and honorary life members are inducted once and stay members until they pass away, the club is dissolved, or they resign. Honorary life members become life members immediately, while regular and club life members must be a member in good standing the three years previous. So the only changes to life membership are new members and deceased members (which includes those who resign or who can no longer be reached by mail), while regular members can join, renew (which can be paid in advance or arrears), lapse, or return after a lapse of at least one year.

Our regular membership fell precipitously in 2019. I am planning to issue more renewal reminders this year. Our life membership is also declining.

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Regular							
New	4	2	1	1	4	5	2
Renewed	41	41	37	31	30	32	23
Returned	5	2	1	4	4	3	0
Convert to LM		-2	-3		-3		
Lapsed	-5	-7	-5	-8	-3	-6	-17
Total	50	45	39	36	38	40	25

Note: Total = New + Renewed + Returned = Previous Total + New + Returned – Convert to LM – Lapsed

Life							
Begin	69	69	70	71	69	69	65
Honorary	1						
New		2	3		3		
Deceased	-1	-1	-2	-2	-3	-4	-1
End	69	70	71	69	69	65	64
Combined	119	115	110	105	107	105	89

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Trade Dollars 1873-1885

by Sandon L. Cohen

Trade Dollars were made for two reasons. First, they were intended to facilitate trade in the Orient, especially with China. The Chinese were used to receiving payment in Mexican eight real pieces, sometimes called “Mexican dollars”, which weighed 417 grains of .903 fine silver, or 0.7859 troy ounces pure. U.S. silver dollars weighed 412.5 grains, .900 fine, containing 0.77344 troy ounces of pure silver. While some Seated Liberty Dollars had been exported to China, they traded at a discount. The Trade Dollar, as proclaimed on its reverse, weighs “420 grains, .900 fine”, containing 0.7874 troy ounces of pure silver. It was hoped that, at this weight, it could compete with the slightly lighter Mexican coins. Second, and perhaps more importantly, they were intended to reduce the glut of silver resulting from the discovery of large amounts of silver in the United States, especially the Comstock Lode. Silver mining interests supported the 1873 legislation authorizing Trade Dollars.

From 1873 to 1878, nearly 36 million Trade Dollars were minted for circulation. While most were exported, others circulated domestically, as they were initially legal tender up to five dollars. They received some acceptance in southern China but less elsewhere due to the unfamiliar design. The world price of silver continued to decline, so that Trade Dollars became worth less than their face value in silver notwithstanding their heavier weight. Profiteers deposited silver at the mint for exchange into Trade Dollars of equal weight, which they then spent at face value. To end this practice Congress in July 1876 revoked the legal tender status of Trade Dollars. They continued to circulate at values less than a dollar that fluctuated with the price of silver. Some unscrupulous persons continued to pass them off at face value or use them to pay their employees.

Following the passage of the 1878 Bland Allison Act authorizing large coinages of legal tender silver dollars at the old weight, the Treasury Secretary ordered that coinage of circulation issue Trade Dollars cease. They continued to be produced as proofs officially through 1883 at about 1,000 per year. An additional ten proofs are known dated 1884 and five dated 1885, which were produced legally but clandestinely for someone with connections at the Mint. The law authorizing Trade dollars was repealed in 1887 under an enactment that also allowed them to be

redeemed at face value for six months, during which time about 7.7 million were redeemed and later melted and coined into other U.S. coins, notably 1891 and 1891-O Morgan dollars.

William Barber designed the trade dollar. The obverse is a seated liberty motif, but symbolizing international trade with her seated on a bale of cotton, the ocean at her feet (a feature commonly used on contemporary British coins), and a sheaf of wheat behind. The reverse eagle is similar to that on the twenty cent piece. Coins for circulation were minted at Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Carson City mints from 1873-77 and at San Francisco and Carson City in 1878. The 1877-S is the highest mintage issue at 9.5 million and 1878-CC the lowest at 97,000, of which some unissued pieces were probably melted. For type collectors, “S” mint coins 1875-78 and “P” mint 1877 are the most available. Values for these common dates are around \$165 F, \$175 VF, \$250 EF, \$320 AU50, and \$1000 MS60. They are rare in really high grades. A complete date and mint set of circulation strikes contains seventeen coins, with 1878-CC, 1877-CC and 1875, in that order, the three most difficult to find and most expensive. Proofs of all dates 1873 through 1883 list \$3,500 in PF63.

More advanced collectors may choose to collect Trade Dollars by variety. The “Red Book” lists the 1875-S, S over CC, first discovered in 1965, as well as the two types of obverses and reverses that resulted from design modifications in 1875-76. Regarding the design modifications, new reverse hubs were introduced in 1875 and new obverse hubs in 1876 to improve striking quality. Each of these hubs features many small engraving differences. Most notably, on the first reverse there is an olive berry beneath the eagle's right facing claw that isn't present on the second reverse. The eagle's feathers seem more strongly engraved on the second reverse. On the first obverse, Liberty's hand that holds the olive sprig has only three fingers and a thumb; the fourth finger is added on the second reverse. The ribbon ends, below the word “liberty,” point to the left on the first obverse but point down on the second. Coins dated 1875 from all three mints come with coins featuring both the first and second reverses, as do 1876-CC pieces. The 1876 and 1876-S issues come with first obverse and either reverse or with second obverse and reverse. Apparently, no genuine coins have the second obverse paired with the first reverse. Different mint mark sizes for both “S” and “CC” exist for some issues. There are additional varieties, such as the 1876 with broken reverse letters.

Collectors should bear in mind that Trade Dollars which circulated in Asia are often chop-marked with one or more Chinese characters indicating their acceptance by specific merchants. These are considered collectible, though at a discount. Also, many counterfeits from Asia exist. Although older ones are often crude and sometimes bear fantasy dates like 1879-S, others made recently are quite deceptive. Accordingly, third-party certification may be advisable for more valuable Trade Dollars.

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Copper-Nickel Three Cent Pieces

by Sandon L. Cohen

Collectors sometimes refer to these coins as “three cent nickels”. They were the first U.S. coins struck in the 75% copper 25% nickel alloy that is still used for five cent coins and the outer layers of clad dimes through half dollars. Like two cent pieces, they resulted from the Civil War coin shortage, though in this case indirectly. According to Walter Breen's Encyclopedia, their primary purpose was to replace unpopular three cent fractional currency notes rather than the vanished silver three cent pieces or other coins that the fractional currency notes replaced. The Act of March 3, 1865 authorized these coins and provided that they were to be paid out in exchange for these notes. Breen claimed that most of the pieces minted from 1865-76 were used to redeem over 17 million fractional currency notes, while others were mainly used to purchase postage stamps as had their silver predecessors. These coins had a total mintage of about 31.4 million over the 24 years of their mintage, which is less than either the two cent pieces or the silver three cent pieces, which had fewer years of production. The Act of September 25, 1890, abolished the denomination along with the gold dollars and three dollars.

Like the silver three cent pieces and the two cent pieces, these coins were designed by Chief Engraver James B. Longacre. The main motif for the obverse design is a liberty head wearing a coronet that is unlike any other such design, but whose face is similar to that of other liberty heads designed by Longacre, including that of the Indian cent. According to Breen, Longacre based all of his liberty heads on a Greco-Roman statue called the *Venus Accroupie* (“Crouching Venus”) he had seen in a Philadelphia museum. I find this head pleasing, especially on higher grade coins. The obverse design is completed by the legend “United States of America” and the date. The reverse design is the roman numeral III with internal vertical lines surrounded by a laurel wreath similar to that used on 1859 Indian cents. At 17.9 mm they are the same diameter as dimes but, perhaps due to their plain edge and radically different design, were not confused with dimes in the days when they circulated.

The copper nickel three cent pieces, like the two cent pieces, started out initially with high circulation mintages that dwindled as the years went by. The rarity of these coins generally follows their original mintages, although low mintage years and proofs tend to have a higher survival rate.

The initial mintage of nearly 11.4 million pieces in 1865 was followed by a still respectable 4.8 million in 1866 and mintages over 3 million for each of 1867 and 1868. Mintages remained over 1 million annually through 1870 and in 1873 and 1881. In 1871 through 1874, they were over half a million, then they dropped quickly. The 1875 and 1876 have mintages of only 228,000 and 162,000 respectively. Of the remaining dates, the 1877, 1878 and 1886 are proof only, with the 1877, with a reported mintage of 900 (but probably more), being the key date to the set, while the other dates have circulation strike mintages ranging from a low of 1,000 (1885) to a high of 38,000 (1879). From 1883-85, proofs have higher mintages and are more available than circulation strikes. Because many proofs of these years look like circulation strikes even to the grading services, I regard the proofs as a better value.



For variety collectors, 1873 coins come with both closed and open 3s. Many proofs of 1887 are fairly clear 1887 over 6 overdates. There are also a number of repunched dates and other minor but interesting die varieties, especially for the earlier, high production years.

For type collectors, common dates retail according to *Coin World Values* for as little as \$20 in Fine, \$43 in EF, \$150 in MS63 and \$500 in MS65. While dates from 1865-68 are the most common, most have one or more irregularities such as die breaks, die erosion, clash marks, planchet laminations, and weak or uneven strikes. (The mint initially had a difficult time using nickel alloys for coinage due to the hardness of the metal.) Later common or better dates tend to be better made for some premium, but nicer earlier ones can be cherrypicked. Date collectors on a budget may wish to build a “short set” consisting of the coins dated 1865 to 1876 and the 1881. Scarcer dates such as the 1879, 80, 82, 88 and 89 can also be had in mid circulated grades for a few hundred dollars each. They are rarer than many key dates of other series but, as fewer collectors build

complete sets of three cent pieces, far less expensive. Attractive proofs of most years list about \$350 in PR63, \$500 in PR65. Even the key proof only 1877 at \$2,250 in PR63 or \$3,750 in PR65 and a total of 1,082 certified and graded by PCGS and NGC combined is a bargain compared with an analogous proof only 1895 Morgan dollar listing \$53,000 in PR63 and \$70,000 in PR65, and combined certified population of 934 or 86.3% of the three cent piece.

I have found collecting these attractive coins challenging and enjoyable. I hope that you will too.

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The **Montgomery County Coin Club** raised over \$600 in their annual charity auction for the Boy Scouts of America at the December meeting, in which junior member Jack Doggett also gave a presentation on the Boy Scouts. January had an extended business meeting, while local and nationally renowned dealer Julian Leidman spoke on the state of the hobby in February.

Ken Swab spoke on the Chesapeake & Ohio (C&O) Canal history, including SCRIP and banknotes, at **Washington Numismatic Society** in January. In February, Bob Hale spoke on coins of wartime occupation.

Coin Club Meeting Calendar (most months)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
First				Baltimore
Second	Cambridge, Colonial	Montgomery, West Maryland	Belmar, MR, Catonsville	
Third	Colonial (some-times), Bel Mar	Washington Numis. Soc.		Baltimore
Fourth	Carroll County	Bowie	Middle River (MR)	

MSNA currently holds their board meetings on the Thursday evening (so far it has only been at 5:30) of the Whitman Coin Expo in Baltimore. Thursday is the first day of the Expo, and it opens to the public at noon (early birds who pay \$75 can go into the bourse at 10 AM). The next meeting will be at the Spring expo on March 19, where MSNA will also host competitive exhibiting.

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MSNA Editor and Treasurer Simcha Kuritzky placed four exhibits at the FUN Show in Orlando this January. Only his exhibit on Paleo-Hebrew on Israel's money and medals won a prize, second place in Exonumia. FUN has a special class for club exhibits and MSNA might put together an exhibit for next year.

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Part Forty-Four: Triangular Pendants

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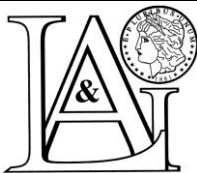
These uniface pendants appear to be recent. They come in silver-gray, golden-brass, and red-bronze colors and have a hole at top, either to hang on a necklace or to be used as a zipper-pull (at least, that's what one advertiser recommended). They weigh between 13 and 14 grams and measure 32.6mm from pointed top to rounded bottom and 31.8mm across the bottom at its widest point. In addition to the high relief zodiac symbol are low relief lettering giving the name in Latin and the dates in English along the bottom, and somewhere near the design is a low relief sigil.





This table summarizes the pendants' inscriptions:

Zodiac Sign		Dates
♈	Aries	Mar 21 – Apr 20
♉	Taurus	Apr 21 – May 20
♊	Gemini	May 21 – June 21
♋	Cancer	June 22 – July 23
♌	Leo	July 24 – Aug 22
♍	Virgo	Aug 23 – Sept 23
♎	Libra	Sept 24 – Oct 23
♏	Scorpio	Oct 24 – Nov 22
♐	Sagittarius	Nov 23 – Dec 22
♑	Capricorn	Dec 23 – Jan 21
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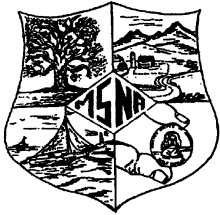


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Maryland Coin Show Dates

All shows have free admission. Only the Whitman show does not have free parking.

8 Mar. – Annapolis Coin and Currency Show, Elks Lodge #622, 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD; 9-4.

19-21 Mar. – Whitman Baltimore Spring Expo, Baltimore Convention Center, 1 West Pratt Street; Thu 2-6, Fri-Sat 10-6. MSNA annual exhibit competition will take place, and the MSNA Board will meet Thursday at 5:30 PM.

18-19 Apr. – Frederick Coin and Currency Show, Elk Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, MD; 9-4:30.

25 Apr. – Baltimore Stamp & Coin Show, Maryland State Fair Grounds, Mosner Miller Bldg, 2200 York Road, Timonium, MD; 9-4.

17 May – Annapolis Coin and Currency Show, Elks Lodge #622, 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD; 9-4.

6-7 June – Frederick Coin and Currency Show, Elk Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, MD; 9-4:30.

27 June – Baltimore Stamp & Coin Show, Maryland State Fair Grounds, Mosner Miller Bldg, 2200 York Road, Timonium, MD; 9-4.

18-20 June – Whitman Baltimore Summer Expo, Baltimore Convention Center, 1 West Pratt Street; Thu 2-6, Fri-Sat 10-6.

8 Aug.–Baltimore Stamp & Coin Show, Maryland State Fair Grounds, Mosner Miller Building, 2200 York Road, Timonium, MD; 9-4.

13 Sept. – Annapolis Coin and Currency Show, Elks Lodge #622, 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD; 9-4.

2-4 Oct. – CEO Coins, Currency & Treasures Ocean City Show, Ocean City (Roland E. Powell) Convention Center, 4001 Ocean Highway & 40th Street, Ocean City, MD; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4.

24 Oct.–Baltimore Stamp & Coin Show, Maryland State Fair Grounds, Mosner Miller Building, 2200 York Road, Timonium, MD; 9-4.

21-22 Nov. – Frederick Coin and Currency Show, Elk Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, MD; 9-4:30.

29 Nov. – Annapolis Coin and Currency Show, Elks Lodge #622, 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD; 9-4.

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